

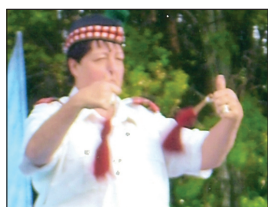
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Your move!

J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School's Grade 4 students, Bo and Rebecca, practise against each other in a break in the action at the Trillium Lakelands District School Board Regional Chess Championships hosted in Haliburton on Friday, March 25. With 14 schools there were close to 300 students competing from grades 1 to 8. The top three for each grade will advance to the provincial finals held in Toronto on April 16.

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Darren Lum Echo staff

Heritage Guild celebrates 20 years

Vital piece of history lives on thanks to the Wilberforce Heritage Guild

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Like the human heart, the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost and its dedicated nurses kept a community and its people alive during the early-20th century.

This aspect of Wilberforce's history has been preserved thanks to the dedicated volunteers and the board members of the Wilberforce Her-

itage Guild, which celebrated its 20th anniversary at the Outpost on Monday afternoon, March 21.

A dedicated group of residents came together back in 1991 to save the building that acted as an integral part of the community from 1922 to 1957.

In 1963, the Red Cross stopped offering nursing services through the Outpost and became the property of Monmouth Township. It then served for a few years as a residence.

The guild took over the lease from the township in 1991, but the building is only operated by the guild while being owned by Highlands East.

Since the Outpost became a museum, the guild educates the community about the func-

tion of the Outpost and the efforts of its nurses, who went beyond the standard health practitioner, travelling by all means necessary to get to residents in need, whether by foot, sleigh, push car or snowshoe.

The gathering was an opportunity to share more than sandwiches and an anniversary cake, as the attendees recounted stories and anecdotes that linked each person to the building, whether personally or through friends and family.

Jill Lee, with her mother's photo above her on the wall said, "She is part of history."

The current board member remembers lit-

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Haliburton Forest general manager Dave Bishop, left, presents a \$10,000 cheque to the Dysart fire department. /Submitted photo



\$10,000 donated to Haliburton Fire and Rescue

On behalf of the Haliburton Fire and Rescue Association we would like to offer a huge thank you to the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life for their continued support again this year. This donation of \$10,000 is a very generous donation to our association. For many years the Haliburton Forest Poker Run has been very generous to our association and has helped us purchase a lot of very important equipment. We also wanted to update the public on how last year's donations were used to the benefit of our department and the community.

The association's mandate for fundraising was established many years ago. We raise funds for new fire or rescue equipment. This is equipment that can make our work safer and our response times faster. Fund raising is not for essential equipment that is budgeted for by the municipality. In the last year between donations we have received and funds we have raised we have purchased a lot of important equipment.

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As you can tell, we put the donations provided to good use.

Submitted by the Haliburton Fire and Rescue Association.

G20 crossbow case goes to court

Lawyers for Haliburton man Gary McCullough told the court his rights were violated when his car was searched a few days ahead of the G20 Summit last summer.

Without a warrant, his lawyer argued last week, McCullough should have never been searched, the CBC is reporting.

He was arrested when police found a loaded crossbow among other things such as a sledgehammer and chainsaw in his car.

The police argue that a makeshift carrier on top of his vehicle caused them to be suspicious, which led to the search.

White pride party cancelled

Jenn Watt
Editor

It appears a white pride party planned for this Canada Day in Minden has been cancelled.

According to the organizer's website, www.britishpeoplesleague.com, the private party will not go ahead.

"The three-day event that was going to take place in honour of our white ancestors and Sir John A. Macdonald, the white founder of Canada, is hereby cancelled," the site reads.

Media attention and public outrage were awakened last week after it was learned the group that held a 1989 party in Minden that attracted skinheads and featured a cross burning was hosting an event.

The group's organizer and former head of the Canadian Nazi Party, John Beattie, denied that the party was to be a white supremacist rally.

The theme of the cancelled party was to be White Village to White Village.

The group's website also encourages "whiter than white" people to move to Haliburton County to escape the city in the "battle for white survival."

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid stated last week that if Beattie's party was to be anything like the one in 1989, the group was "most unwelcome."

"He puts out a message that is of interest to a smattering of people ... they clearly don't represent our community or our province or our country," she said.

According to the league's website, the OPP had been in touch with the group.

Last week, the Haliburton detachment confirmed they were investigating the planned gathering.

The description of the cancelled event describes a three-day music and camping event on 200 acres in Minden July 1 through 3, open only to friends of the league.

There was also to be speeches, the site said, by "well-known patriot whistle-blowing activists honouring our Dominion of Canada's white founding fathers."

It asked that there be no "stiff arms," referring to Nazi salutes, or "head hoods," referring to the white hoods worn by the Ku Klux Klan.

In 1989, national media along with skinheads from across Canada flocked to Minden for Beattie's party on his Bobcaygeon Road yard.

There was also a strong counter protest by local residents and human rights activists, who gave anti-hate speeches at the Village Green and held signs produced by the Minden Times that read, "YES. As a citizen of Canada and a member of this community, I believe in equality of all individuals regardless of race, colour, creed, religion or ethnic origin."

Calls to Beattie regarding the event's cancellation were unreturned at press time.

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Highlands resident appears on Wipeout

Jenn Watt
Editor

She isn't good at keeping secrets, but for the last six months West Guilford resident Carole Alexander has been keeping a big one.

She was one of only 260 selected to compete on this season of Wipeout Canada, an obstacle course game show airing on TVtropolis starting April 3.

Selected in September 2010 after auditioning during an open casting call in Toronto, Alexander was instructed not to tell anyone, save for her family and boss, that she was competing.

And when she came back, she wasn't allowed to say who won the \$50,000 prize from her episode, either.

"It's horrible, 'cause I'm not a secret-holder; I'm not one of those people," Alexander says.

"And it's almost a year [since being selected for the show]. You have to not say anything for a year. I mean, it could be *me* that won the \$50,000. I can't say!"

Alexander competed against 19 others in her episode filmed in Argentina where all Wipeouts, save for the American version, are produced.

Dressed in a kilt and hollering Scottish taglines, the 53-year-old from the Highlands Pipes and Drums bounced across the show's iconic "big balls," struggled through the mud pits, climbed past the punching glove wall and swung on a rope to the finish.

Exhausted doesn't begin to describe how she felt at the end.

"When I came off the course ... they had these leather couches. I sat in the leather couch and I just went to sleep for I don't know how long. I couldn't even move," she says.

Contestants weren't allowed to eat much before competing, but afterwards they were fed like royalty.

In fact, during her entire stay near Buenos Aires, Alexander was treated like a VIP.

"I was down there for a week, and we shot for one day. And then we had the whole week to do whatever we wanted. So it was really nice," she says.

Wipeout also paid for everything – food, accommodations, plane tickets and an



West Guilford resident Carole Alexander looks at the clay she found in her pocket after falling in the mud pit on Wipeout last fall. The clay hardened into a rock, which she kept as a souvenir. Her episode airs on April 10.

Jenn Watt
Echo staff

honorarium.

"There was nothing I could say bad. ... Everything was marvelous," she says.

In order to qualify, Alexander had to post an audition tape on YouTube and then go to Toronto to meet producers in person.

Her husband Neil and son Steven helped her create the video, which shows her bouncing on an inflatable island, while being sprayed by squirt guns.

There were 44,619 applicants for the show Canadawide.

Alexander says she never thought much about the prospect of getting hurt on the program, despite family telling her she was crazy to go.

That is, until she got to the starting line. "I didn't even think about how scared I was until the [buzzer] went 'waaa' and then I had to run down. I thought, 'oh my God, what am I doing?'"

The show was heavily focused on safety with three ambulances on standby and strict rules on reporting even small injuries.

She said one woman tore the meniscus in her leg, and Alexander had her own share of falls.

"I bent in ways I didn't think I'd ever be able to do again," she laughs, adding she literally kicked her own backside in one manoeuvre.

In order to compete at all, contestants have to be cleared by a doctor. Alexander also set about to lose 20 pounds to make the physical activity easier on herself.

Not that it kept her out of the mud.

Back in her hotel room after filming the episode, Alexander found a special memento from the show in her pocket: a wad of clay from the mud pit.

As time went on, it hardened into a rock, which she saved as a souvenir.

"This was such a pleasure to go to. ... It was surreal almost. I didn't want to come home."

Wipeout Canada premieres on TVtropolis Sunday, April 3, and Alexander's episode runs the following week on Sunday, April 10 at 9 p.m.



Doning her kilt, Carole Alexander prepares for the Wipeout obstacle course.

County's budget approved with three per cent levy increase

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Haliburton County councillors approved the county's 2011 budget at a March 23 meeting.

The budget includes total expenditures of almost \$18.5 million for the year.

Sixty-four per cent of that, or just under \$12 million, comes through taxation. This translates into a three per cent levy

increase.

Approximately \$2.5 million of that will be spent on roads and health services, and another \$1.8 million will be spent on social services and housing.

Dysart et al provides 37.37 per cent of the county's tax base; Minden Hills 26.84; Algonquin Highlands 21.3; and Highlands East 14.48 per cent.

The county's reserves have decreased by more than \$830,000, and County Warden Murray Fearrey noted much of that was

spent on broadband Internet expansion and Winterfest.

Total reserves are now sitting around the \$3.5 million mark.

There was an increase to the bridge reserve of \$200,000 and the \$257,000 surplus resulting from lighter-than-usual winter maintenance in 2010 will be rolled into the 2011 construction budget.

The planning department will operate with a budget of \$233,000; economic development with approximately \$523,000; the

library with \$595,000; administration with approximately \$426,000; and engineering costs will be about \$313,000.

Council expenses, including councillors' wages, benefits, mileage, supplies, memberships, training and other such costs, total \$129,000.

This year, 22 per cent of the county's operating costs will come from federal and provincial funding.

Founders remember Outpost's early years

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All the time during the 1930s when my grandfather was alive, scrounging pennies to pay for food for the nurses and to pay the basic expenses. I think it was hard to keep these things going ... I think they would be thrilled and proud of [the Outpost Hospital today].

— Barb Schofield

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tle about her mother, Sylvia Cameron, but recounts how she worked as a nurse at the Wilberforce Outpost from 1936 to 1938 and had to use a hand car to get to patients.

Other nurses that eventually lived in the area were Marion Tallman and Elsie Turner.

Edith Chapman was the nurse depicted in a Red Cross promotional movie produced in the 1940s, showing Wilberforce and its residents.

Alfred Schofield was an instrumental figure as the child welfare officer who organized the committee and raised the money to bring the first Red Cross Outpost in the country. Frank Schofield was also a key figure for the Outpost, ensuring it survived the Depression.

Barb Schofield believes her ancestors would be proud the building still exists and was designated a National Historic Site in September, 2003.

“I think he would be very proud of [the



Darren Lum Echo staff

The Wilberforce Heritage Guild board members, left, Ken Sanderson and Jill Lee, whose mother Silvia Cameron worked as a nurse at the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost, share stories at the 20th anniversary of the guild on Monday, March 21. Sanderson is a founding member of the guild, which has been responsible for ensuring the Outpost and the nurses who worked there continue to be remembered.

status] so would my grandparents,” she said. “All the time during the 1930s when my grandfather was alive, scrounging pennies to pay for food for the nurses and to pay the basic expenses. I think it was hard to keep these things going ... I think they would be thrilled and proud of it.”

Many there said the Outpost and the nurses proved to be one of the key features for survival in Wilberforce. This point is forever etched in stone on the plaque at the

front of the Outpost building.

The founding members of the guild were Ken Sanderson, Cathy Agnew, Hilda Clark, Pat Simiana, Gerald Shingleton and Margaret Harrison.

Sanderson, Agnew and Clark, who are on the current board, attended the low-key festivities.

The current board also consists of Jill Lee, Joan Noble, Barbara Schofield, Valerie French and Nadeen Sanderson.

There were many residents who have served on the board in the past two decades, but Sanderson and Clark are veritable fountains of information and have an intimate knowledge of every artifact of the Outpost and the building itself.

Clark has an intimate connection to the Outpost that some could say she was born with, as she was one of thousands who took their first breath because of the Outpost.

“You want to preserve the historical things. The things that are here that we’ve treasured over the years and have contributed to the community,” she said. “It’s one thing to start something it’s another thing to keep it going.”

She admits none of the volunteers or board members had much museum curator experience, but through their love the museum has survived.

The registered charitable foundation was also responsible for the publishing of the book, *Mustard Plasters and Handcars*, depicting life as a Red Cross Outpost nurse in Wilberforce back in 2000. The book published by Natural Heritage Books recounts the life of Gertrude LeRoy Miller. There were 2,000 copies published.

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Dysart tightens its belt with new budget

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

It's a tough time for the global economy and the Dysart et al 2011 budget is a reflection of that reality.

Council approved amendments that include numerous reductions and cuts at a special Monday morning meeting in chambers on March 21.

Local community organizations looking for funding will have to make do, with the same 2010 amounts or nothing at all.

Council has imposed a three per cent tax levy instead of the 2.2 per cent from the first draft. This will increase the municipal levy by \$36,740. The municipality's shortfall is now \$140,347.

The new total includes cost cutting measures to township spending such as eliminating the Christmas party and the golf tournament, a reduction in photocopies, and a reduction of \$4,500 in grants to organizations.

The transfer of funds from reserves occurred in a variety of departments (such as the roads, general governance, rental, fire and administration) reduced Dysart's shortfall another \$141,400.

Although there is an increase to the municipal tax levy, residential property tax increases is also a reflection of

recent property assessments, the education tax and Haliburton County tax rates.

CAO and clerk Tammy McKelvey warns she only received draft rates from Haliburton County and the province. Final figures could change, but she expects the provincial education rate to stay the same.

"Based on good estimates it would appear that the residential tax rates in Dysart will go down 4.51 per cent," she said, adding the average assessment went up eight per cent, the tax rate went down 4.5 per cent and the difference is what your taxes will go up by.

McKelvey stressed the municipal tax levy accounts for just a third of the total taxation residents will pay.

The tax levy decision was reached during closed session, following the second budget meeting.

McKelvey said this year's taxes for commercial properties should be on the whole favourable, particularly since sewage fees are rising.

"A lot of the commercial [properties] have not seen that change," she said. "That is good because they need the help. So, they are actually seeing decreases in their taxation no matter which way they go. Or very little increases," she said.

The proposed increase of \$15 to the current sewage fee of \$495 will be open for a public meeting, as are the landfill tipping fees and arena fees, on April 4.

The township's biggest expenditure in the budget, the roads department, has seen its budget rise to \$57,276 or 2.43 per cent from last year instead of the proposed 3.32 per cent.

McKelvey, who based her decisions on actual insurance premium costs, recommended a list of amendments from the first draft that saw a reduction in the fire department budget of \$6,500 and administration by \$5,000. The Haliburton Curling Club and the Squash Club was a beneficiary of these changes. They received an additional \$1,800 while Harcourt and West Guilford Community Centres, the Haliburton Highlands Museum and the Rails End Gallery all received nominal increases to their budget.

Her recommendations resulted in a savings of \$8,250, which will be put towards the increase of Dysart's administration wages and advertising while \$2,000 will be put towards the repair of the library, addressing the frozen sewer repair cost.

Although the final municipal figures and rates were released at the Monday meeting, the budget's final figures including Haliburton County rates will be announced on April 11.

At the end of the budget meeting, Dysart approved the appointment of Matthew Aldom as the new building inspector, pending the passing of his test for the Building Code Identification Number, to take over from the resigned Curtis Greenham. Chief building inspector Dan Sayers will assume Greenham's duties until Aldom is approved. Test results are expected in a month.

Deputy clerk Cheryl Coulson was appointed to take over as clerk from resigning CAO and clerk McKelvey, who will start as treasurer with Algonquin Highlands on April 18. The CAO position remains unfilled.

Highlands East preliminary budget follows similar model to other municipalities

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Council is announcing a 3.3 per cent increase in the overall budget.

Highlands East council released a preliminary draft of the 2011 budget at its meeting March 22.

Like other municipalities, property owners may experience nominal tax increases because of the property assessments.

With waterfront property values going up the most, any

property that had its value increase six per cent can expect to see an increase.

According to CAO and treasurer Sharon Stoughton Craig, property owners who had a property assessment go up by 11.35 per cent would only see a 4.78 per cent increase in taxes using the preliminary tax rate for 2011.

With provincial funding cut by more than \$60,000 through the Ontario Municipal Partnership Funding, the municipality will use last year's \$230,000 surplus to reduce the levy.

There will likely be two more drafts.

The final draft of the budget is expected in May.

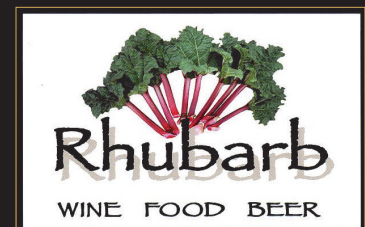


SIRCH receives \$2,500 from RBC

Members of SIRCH Hike for Hospice accept a \$2,500 cheque from RBC Dominion Securities on March 21, 2011 in Haliburton. From left, Sandra Daoust and Sue Maxwell from Hospice, Beth O'Connor, investment advisor for RBC, and Linda May-Powers from Hospice. In the last five years, RBC has donated more than \$100,000 to Haliburton County's various initiatives.

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Dealing with feral cats

GOOD ON HIGHLANDS EAST for working their way through the feral cat situation.

It took years just to get to the point of accepting the concept of caring for wild cats – which had become a nuisance to residents – and to see councillors taking it seriously is encouraging.

Councillor Steven Kaufeldt pointed out to council last week that there are many unpredictable technicalities when it comes to caring for wild animals.

One of those is the heating necessary for cats just recently spayed or neutered.

Apparently they must be kept in a warm environment in the hours after the procedure.

The impact on the taxpayer, though, is the cost of keeping the shelter heated in order to humanely deal with these animals.

Kaufeldt wasn't advocating turning down the heat or shutting down the shelter.

Instead he came up with a couple of ideas on how to negotiate the problem.

Spaying in the warmer weather seemed to be the easiest of his potential solutions.

The point is, they have embraced this idea – one that isn't the most cost-efficient or popular – and they're working through it pragmatically.

It's important they do.

As the first municipality in the county to adopt a feral cat program, others will be watching.



Jenn Watt
Editor

Election especially local for county

As predicted, the country is plunging into another federal election with voters going to the polls May 2.

Here in Haliburton, the race will be especially interesting since three of the candidates from the four main parties either live in this county or have strong ties here.

Political newcomer Laura Redman of Minden Hills announced she would be the Liberal candidate (officially nominated Mon-

day evening), taking on established Conservative and former Haliburton resident Barry Devolin.

We also get a chance to hear from Gull Lake's Susanne Lauten of the Green Party, who has been the party's candidate for some time, but has yet to run in an election.

The only one from away is Lyn Edwards of the New Democratic Party, who lives in Lindsay.

Over the next month, the *Echo* will be interviewing all of the candidates and the local media will be putting together a joint all-candidates meeting.

We will also be running regular poll questions on our website (www.haliburtonecho.ca) to gauge interest in the election.

Results will be printed in the paper.

This week's question: Will you vote for the party or the candidate?



River thaw

photo by Darren Lum

I'm at fault

TONIGHT MY LIFE could end. I suppose this declaration could apply to any night since we really never know, do we?

That tiny bit of rye toast from this morning could make an unexpected reappearance in the middle of the night, get lodged in your throat and have the ultimate final say (it's toast and now, ironically, you are as well).

But this has nothing to do with toast, this one's all about geography.

As I write this column I sit in perhaps the most precarious geographical location of my life.

I'm in a hotel room in southern Missouri (seriously) which, in itself, is nothing particularly harrowing unless you feel unnaturally threatened by farm equipment or thick southern drawls but it's actually what I'm sitting above that has me in imminent danger.

It's called the New Madrid Seismic Zone and, to cut through the long explanation and scientific gobbledygook, if the ground here starts to shake uncontrollably I know I'm either about to die or (if I'm lucky) there are newlyweds in the next room.

This is all news to me. As far as I can recall I've never spent any significant time perched above anything that could kill me in an instant (not counting that badger I tried to steal a carcass from in 1986).

At any moment the ground could

open up and swallow me whole. In a way this isn't a tragic thing since she (Mother Earth) will get me eventually anyway and this could simply be a case of wanting a rush order although

that could be construed as something somewhat flattering.

Still I can't help but look at the carpet with different eyes tonight.

If you lived in northern California this would be a mundane daily dilemma though I suspect Californians spend more time pondering Botox than they do

unexpectedly surfing into to the Pacific Ocean.

It's weird, I live in an area where the only natural things that can kill me are extreme cold, snow drifts, falling trees and drunken moose so I tend to not fret too much over the earth holding a potential murder weapon.

After talking to the locals – who informed me of this area's earthquake history (1811 was not a good year) – I started thinking a little more about my immediate mortality.

What if the ground did open up? Am I ready? Is this the impetus I needed for preparing a will? I was thinking there'd be a requisite near miss with a bullet before that occurred.

So am I scared? How can I be? I will really never see it coming (unless of course that badger will let bygones be bygones and gives me the heads up).



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points of view

Poll dancing

SOMETIMES, I think elections are called simply to keep the polling industry healthy.

All you need to do is listen to any news broadcast, go online or read any major newspaper to get your fill of what a few hundred members of the general public think about issues, leaders and parties.

The fun part, if you ask me, is watching politicians react to the results. Surprisingly, however, this is something we in the general public have not fully taken advantage of yet. Which is a shame since this could actually be the best part of the political process. Or at least the most fun.



Steve Galea
Loon Tales

For instance, I'd like to see how our party leaders would react if 98 per cent of those polled said that they'd have an easier time voting for a leader who wasn't afraid to wear those big clown shoes while telling knock-knock jokes.

I'm not saying they'd capitulate to the pressure at first, but, let's face it, if it was neck and neck near election day, I'm sure that there'd be back room debates on the merit of the idea. Heck, some would probably even wear the lapel flower that squirts water.

Sadly, however, few polls have truly captured the important local issues that are near and dear to our hearts here in cottage country. So, it is with that in mind that I have constructed my first Central Ontario-specific political poll. Hopefully, it will provide our candidates with a better idea of what local voters deem as meaningful and important. (Hint, it is not this.)

First question:

When being glad-handed by a politician would you prefer he or she greet you with:

1. How are you now?
2. Good day, chum!
3. Seen any bears at the dump yet?
4. My favourite fishing hole is....
5. Here's five bucks from your government. Don't worry, we'll get it back next time you fill up.

That, in a nutshell, is my first poll. Complete it to the best of your ability and send the answer to me at theoutdoorlife@aol.com or via this office.

I know that this poll is not exactly comprehensive but I'm kind of new at this and I didn't want to jump in head first.

Even so, as someone who has been polled ad nauseum, I designed this with all the characteristics that I prefer in a poll. Namely, I don't have to think much about it. And it is really, really short.

Still, I think that if we can get a definitive answer to the important question that I've posed, we might finally be able to provide meaningful input and influence to all those politicians out there on the campaign trail.

This is something that will affect our day-to-day lives over the next few weeks too. After all, from here until election time, I figure that most of us will be greeted at least 34 times by the candidates or people working for them. It'd be nice to be greeted properly.

This poll, I think you will agree, gets right down to the heart of the matter. Mainly does the politician in question respond to local custom? And, if so, what's wrong with them?

I know what you're asking yourself: what does this guy know about conducting a poll?

Well, 45 per cent of the people I polled said not a thing. Ah, but the other 65 per cent strongly disagreed.



pic of the past

Karen Elstone, left, finished first in the pre-junvenile ladies competition of the Kawartha Highlands Interclub skating competition in Bancroft, March 4, 1984. On the right is Tanya Easton who earned a third place medal in the preliminary B division.

letters to the editor

Devolin's budget is reckless

To the Editor,

Barry Devolin says "I'm pleased with the direction the budget will take this country and my riding." Not since the days of Brian Mulroney and Finance Minister Michael Wilson have I seen such hubris while a federal Conservative government spends record levels of our tax dollars while running record deficits. Is giving \$6 billion in new tax breaks to wealthy corporations and spending \$30 billion on new fighter jets good sense when the government is running a \$40.5 billion budget deficit? Our children and our grandchildren are going to be paying for the money that Devolin and his Conservative party are recklessly spending. If you think ultra-low corporate taxes are going to bring miracle jobs and revive an economy please take a look at Ireland, Bulgaria or Bosnia.

The last time we had reckless deficits Canadians got fed up and consigned Progressive Conservative Party to the dust-bin of history in the 1993 election. By that time the *Wall Street Journal* referred to Canada as an "honourary member of the third world" for its debt burden. Fortunately the Liberal party cleaned up the mess by balancing the budget and paying down a large portion of the federal debt. Now Barry and the boys are back with a new party name (the Conservative Party of Canada) and appear to be trying hard to reclaim our honorary third world status. It will again fall to the Liberals to clean up the Conservative mess.

Larry Bukta
Minden

Housing need still comes before pool

To the Editor,

I am sorry Ms. Hughes missed the point of my earlier letter. Presumably she has solved her own housing problem for the future. Most people who live up here know that money is scarce, and while I'd love a pool too, I don't see either government coughing up enough for both.

All I was suggesting was that housing comes before pools - even in the alphabet.

Harvey Clarke
Donald

Bridge players had great time at Winterfest games

To the Editor,

Thank you Haliburton! From beginning to end, the Ontario Senior Winter Games event was a wonderful experience that our bridge team will never forget.

All of the volunteers who assisted with the games were exceptional. The school bus driver who took us to our bridge games was an amazing gentleman who carried our luggage through the narrow aisles.

We were fortunate enough to meet Susan Norcross, councillor for the municipality of Dysart and she was

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letters

Pool saga needs reality check

To the Editor,

The ongoing pool saga, in my opinion, requires a reality check. Municipalities and Haliburton County council are having to re-evaluate how they do business with declining revenue from the province. To me, a pool is a luxury not a priority. Affordable housing, long-term care for seniors who require such and enticing business entrepreneurs to locate in our area is a priority. Our economy depends in majority on tourism and employment depicts this fact. If economic growth, employment and stable tax base are to be acquired, a pool is not the answer; business, industry and entrepreneurs are! There is more to a pool than location and vast capital costs associated with the facility. Who is going to pay not only for this expenditure but also for ongoing maintenance costs, purifying chemicals, testing of the water, expertise to undertake these initiatives, and whatever other regularity obligations? A fee for service would have to be so high no one could afford to use the facility.

For those who want the pool, let those individuals buy the property, build the facility and maintain it. *Do not* expect a further tax burden on people who (1) don't want the pool, (2) work seasonal jobs, (3) work for minimum wage (4) struggle to pay for food on their tables and pay for bills of necessity (5) are on fixed

incomes (6) have to pay for medical treatments for special needs and (7) are seasonal and who more than likely would not use the facility, just to mention a few. It is time to plant one's feet firmly on Mother Earth and take a

reality check as to what is financially feasible, common sense and what is pie in the sky.

Beverly MacDuff
Gooderham

Seniors, pool both important

To the Editor,

Let's face it, as seniors you paid your dues, some far more than your fair share. How many of you still pay education taxes to send children to school?

I know they are our future. But you have been their future too. And it's not unreasonable to expect your fair share of taxes you have paid.

The province and the federal government has the money to provide seniors a decent quality of life in retirement.

\$340 million has been earmarked by McGuinty just to resettle new immigrants in Ontario this year. The cost of the Afghanistan war could have made every Ontarian a millionaire and then some.

Then of course you have renewable energy coming to your town soon. Billions will be paid out by you to pay energy pro-

ducers 10-times more than what the rate is for power, and they will also get paid not to produce power when demand is low. It's a win-win for these companies. Especially since Ontario has seen demand drop steadily since 2008.

Pools keep your kids active, out of trouble and in school.

Seniors, because of rising costs such as gas, hydro, taxes and food are having a harder time getting by. I don't know how you do it.

The province has money.

It's who your money gets earmarked for.

So, go for both.

Seniors, and pools are both important.

I would say you are far more entitled to it than many other areas that receive funding.

Ernest Horvath
Meaford

Need to find better way

To the Editor,

We don't need an election now when the economy is still fragile. That is the dictator's rationale. From Beijing to Tripoli, elections are always in the future in some better time. It is shameful that a democratic leader would use the argument and others parrot it in Canada.

Some courageous people around the world are showing comfortable Canadians that democracy is worth the cost.

Of course, Stephen Harper is partly correct. We don't need a tainted election at this time or any other. We don't need an election that will return outlandish benefits for the leading party and penalize all the others. We don't need 67 per cent of the electors in Alberta to have all the MPs except one, 26 of 27. We don't need 42 per cent of the voters in Quebec to win 50 MPs so that the majority, 58 per cent of other voters only have 25. There are other unacceptable examples and this coming election will probably furnish more until the system is fixed.

We don't need a government of any stripe that pretends to be a majority government with a minority of the votes cast. There is a better way. Let's find it.

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Feral cat colony awaits SPCA report

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Highlands East Councillor Steven Kauffeldt is recommending the feral cat colony continue, except with stricter rules to lessen the impact on the taxpayer.

Kauffeldt completed a report about the conditions of the colony after a visit to the facility on Wednesday, March 9.

"I do not believe this project should be scrapped. It is a great example of thinking outside the box and the previous council should be commended for forward thinking. However, it has become painfully clear that the rules need to be made crystal clear, so that the cost to the taxpayer (which takes precedence over animals) is controlled," Kauffeldt said to council from a prepared statement.

Kauffeldt has been in contact with the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) since volunteer Barbara Schofield raised a discrepancy between the previous council temperature resolution and the actual temperature the feral cats medically require.

His correspondence revealed the SPCA's main concern was newly spayed and neutered cats, which cannot be exposed to "outdoor temperatures."

A follow-up call to veterinarian Dr. Facey of Apsley revealed cats have trouble maintaining their body temperature due to the medication used in the operation and need to be housed in a temperature of a minimum of 60° F. The time period varies between one and five days.

The SPCA inspected the colony a report is expected soon. Kauffeldt hopes it will be completed before council's next meeting.

Kauffeldt recommends council take every action to reduce or eliminate the cost of heating this facility such as not spaying or neutering when the outdoor temperature is colder than the recommended temperature.

Otherwise, if necessary, Kauffeldt suggests a "mass spaying" of several cats to ensure the energy required to heat the colony is for more than one cat.

Currently the 48-foot trailer located on municipal property is not using its space efficiently and with the right configuration, moving walls and the addition of insulation is expected to reduce the heating costs.

Specific figures are not in the budget, but Kauffeldt is investigating and expects to release figures at the council's April 12 meeting.

The colony will require a minimum temperature of 37° F so their drinking water won't freeze.

Possibilities with a new configuration could enable the municipality to use the extra space for storage or for a dog pound. Although the dog pound option may not work, Kauffeldt admits.

Currently, dogs are sent to a shelter in Faraday. Last year there were only three dogs sent there.

He said the dogs could just be sent to the Highland Animal Relief Team (HART) in Bancroft, which is a rescue group run by volunteers.

It serves a region of 13 municipalities, covering some 20,000 kilometres.

He also suggested a Highlands East animal pound be located in a small block building already attached to an

existing building to avoid service hook-up fees.

It would service dogs and cats, both domesticated and feral and after the "standard" period be adopted by animal welfare groups.

"The only problem with this option is the feral cats. These cats are probably not good candidates for adoption and therefore, they would either be destroyed or another solution needs to be created. However, if you look at only the cost, euthanizing is cheaper than spaying and neutering," he said.

Council has deferred any decision until after the SPCA report is completed, but hopes to make decision at the April 12 meeting.



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Thank you to students and taxi drivers

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thoughtful enough to send pictures of me on stage with the great Kreskin.

The student volunteers at the high school for our final night were great, especially the young man who took care of us when we missed our bus. He called Grumpy's taxi service owner, Stan Wilson, who was very funny and entertaining, telling us stories about the area.

The staff at Royal Resort, where we stayed was most hospitable. And the bridge conveners were top notch.

Great job Haliburton! Thanks for making our first experience with the Ontario Senior Winter Games a most rewarding and enjoyable experience.

Shirley Demers, Marnie Stenton, Ruth Toomer and Velma Malcolm (Chatham-Kent OSGA District 33A)

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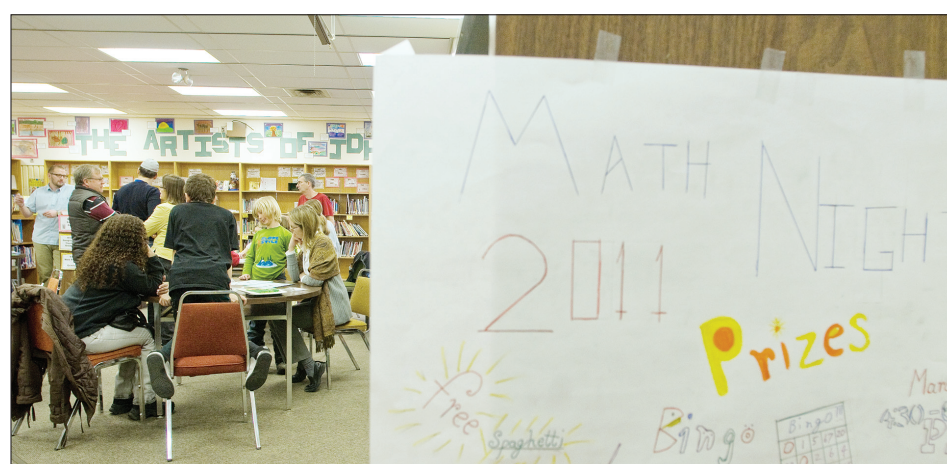
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Cheers for math

Clockwise, from left, J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School opened its doors to students such as Andre Dulong, who sometimes stumped teachers such as Kimberly Veneziale, and their families for the second annual Math Night in Haliburton on Wednesday, March 23. A student works out a problem, a group plays a math version of bingo and people line up for the pasta and salad dinner. There were five math challenge stations and more than 100 people attended the JHES Parents' Council organized event to encourage family participation. The event was funded by the Ministry of Education's Parents Reaching Out grants, which also helped to fund mother/daughter and father/son nights. Photos by Darren Lum



Health professional committee rebrands to recruit doctors

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

The chairman of the Haliburton Highlands Health Professionals Recruitment and Retention Committee is hoping a re-branding of the committee's campaign may see its luck change.

Jim Mitchell told the *Echo* last week that he hopes a modernization of the committee's advertising – it has billboards throughout the county and places ads in various publications including medical journals – will bring more attention to the committee and its goal of bringing doctors to Haliburton County.

"Everywhere I seem to go ... it seems that we don't have a lot of profile in the county," he said.

Mitchell said the 15-member committee has hired a media specialist, is doing research and is hoping to launch its new brand, which will bring a consistent look and message to its search, towards the end of this year. "We're trying to create a more identifiable branding for recruiting," he said.

While the committee, formed a decade ago, has brought many physicians through the county, it has yet to retain any on a permanent basis.

"Closing the deal is the tougher thing to do," Mitchell said, listing the factors he believes are making it difficult for the

county to attract doctors.

One is a lack of career opportunities for the spouses of doctors, who, more times than not, Mitchell said, are professionals of one type or another themselves.

Mitchell said the county's ideal recruits would be a couple of married doctors, or a doctor married to a nurse, or a doctor married to a dentist, or some such combination.

Another is a lack of social networking opportunities for young, single doctors.

A third is the county's lack of multiculturalism.

"We're limited by our homogeneity," Mitchell said, pointing out that 25 per cent of the country's doctors are foreign-trained and that the county simply does not have the kind of cultural facilities that some are looking for.

A lack of opportunity to perform specialized medicine is another factor.

While the county may have some factors stacked against it, the committee tries hard to promote its strengths.

"We do have some really good things to offer people," Mitchell said, mentioning the county's two Haliburton Highlands Health Services facilities and of course, the county's natural beauty, including its multitude of lakes.

The lifestyle Haliburton County offers has been, and continues to be, the cornerstone of the committee's recruitment efforts.

Mitchell noted that there are a number of doctors who cottage in the county and said the committee would be

more than happy to welcome a doctor looking to perhaps slow things down and just practise a few days a week.

While there are communities that offer physicians financial incentives, Mitchell seemed cautious of this approach.

"You have to be careful you're attracting the right people for the right reasons," he said, adding the committee is looking for doctors who have an interest in settling in the community for the long term, not just staying long enough to collect a bonus.

The province pays relocation grants to doctors who set up practice in under-served areas. Depending on which of the county's four townships he or she sets up shop in, a doctor could collect between about \$90,000 and \$115,000 in relocation money over four years for coming to the county.

Mitchell said citizens can help with recruitment efforts by creating a friendly community environment that would make someone want to return, as well as ensuring that friends and family from outside the area are aware that Haliburton County is looking for doctors.

The committee, which consists of a cross-section of politicians, health professionals and citizens, meets four times a year.

While the county continues to struggle with physician recruitment, Hastings County has managed to recruit 12 doctors, some of whom have already begun practising in that municipality.



Spring splashes

Sir Sam's Ski and Summer Resort ended the season with a splash Saturday as skiers and boarders sailed into a pool of water at the bottom of the hill. /Tim Tofflemire photo

Laura Redman nominated as Liberal candidate

Lisa Gervais

Lindsay Post reporter

Liberal candidate Laura Redman said the riding association had been flirting with her for eight months when she decided to finally go out on a federal election date.

"They've been asking me for about eight months," Redman said Friday. Her nomination was made on Monday night in Lindsay.

A journalist for 20 years, Redman, 47, has taken a leave of absence from her job as managing editor of the *County Voice*.

She lives in Minden Hills and is married to former *National Post* photographer Peter Redman.

She comes from a large Italian family whose hobby was politics. However, it was during a stint working for the YWCA that she became known for being an outspoken social activist.

She said she addressed violence against women, poverty, lack of affordable housing and lack of social housing. She took off the gloves and added that these were things "we could not get onto [Conservative candidate] Barry Devolin's radar."

She said despite all of that she didn't really think that she would ever be a candidate and is "humbled" by all of the support she has received.

"I do believe in the greater good. I do believe that people have the right to live free from poverty and the government is obligated to work hard to end these issues."

She said she is worried about the erosion of democracy in the country and said the Liberals could not stand by and let the government get away with contempt which is why they joined the NDP and Bloc in last Friday's non-confidence vote.

She said she is a fan of Liberal leader Michael Ignatieff, whom she has met twice. She thinks he was unduly criticized when he did not have to give up a job as director of the Carr Center for Human Rights at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University to return to Canada. She said he is worldly, educated and understands women's rights. She added that he has a national housing strategy, which she says the other parties lack.

She said she is excited about the upcoming campaign.

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Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary celebrates 40 years

Jenn Watt
Editor

From a hair dryer to a picture archiving system, the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary's donations have come a long way in 40 years.

Since being founded in 1971 by nurse Velma Smith, the auxiliary has raised nearly \$1 million for the local health-care system.

On Monday, March 21, the Haliburton Hospital held a party to acknowledge the auxiliary's dedication.

"Your contribution to ... the health care of our community is amazing," Dale Robinson, chairman of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board, said.

He pointed out that thousands of people had benefited over the history of the auxiliary from its many purchases.

Besides donating \$85,000 to the Picture Archiving Communication System, known more commonly as PACS, the auxiliary also bought the hospital a portable ultrasound



Some of those honoured for long service to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary attended the organization's 40th anniversary March 21 at the Haliburton Hospital. From left, Barbara Dawson, Eunice Heyes, Rose Connaughan, Lillian Henry, Joan Stinson, Doris Laine, Lil Haight, Judy Skinner and Ellenor Bagg.

Jenn Watt Echo staff

machine, blood count analyzer, Glidescope, ventilator, physiotherapy tables and pressure mattresses among many other things.

"I've never seen so much support for a local hospital," HHHS CEO Paul Rosebush said at Monday's gathering.

"Enough can't be said for the work you folks do."

Chief of staff Dr. Steve Ferracuti assured the auxiliary that all of the equipment purchased is used every day and much of it has saved lives.

The auxiliary's long-time members were honoured at the event, starting with Ellenor Bagg, who started in 1974.

Other 20-plus-year members included Lillian Henry, Eunice Heyes, Barbara Dawson, Doris Laine, Jean Bain, Betty McDonald, Juli Graf and Lorraine Kneeshaw (Kneeshaw has just less than 20 years, but has been a dedicated volunteer).

Rose Connaughan and Lil Haight were also recognized for outstanding work.

Current president Judy Skinner gave credit to the early volunteers for the continued success of the organization. She said that the founders established a firm ground on which the auxiliary grows today.

Presidents of the auxiliary since 1971: Velma Smith, Kleo Hodgson, Catherine Wilkinson, Glenna Beckham, Ellenor Bagg, Marion Van Schaik, Doris Laine, Willie Cox, Heather McMullen, Chalene Smith, Joan Stinson and Judy Skinner.

Fundraisers for the auxiliary include an annual tag day, Christmas ornament sale, quilt raffles, geranium sale, Taste of Italy dinner and no-bake bake sale.

Less than one week after the celebration, Eunice Heyes passed away. She was 90 years old. She was honoured at Monday's gathering for "extraordinary volunteer service" and was a regular auxiliary volunteer.

The auxiliary meets the first Wednesday of each month between September and June at 1:30 p.m. in the Ruth Parkes Room. New members are welcome. Call 705-754-2053 for more information.

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Did you know that line 236 on your tax return provides Revenue Canada with your net income. It is found after your total income but before the ever important taxable income (what our income tax is calculated on). Revenue Canada uses your net income to calculate if you qualify for Income-Tested Benefits and Credits. What this means is that people with lower income receive the full benefit while people earning a higher income may be eligible for a reduced benefit or no benefit at all. Some income-tested benefits are GST/HST, Child tax credit, OAS and the old age tax credit and GIS.

I am going to use the old age tax credit as one example. All Canadian's get the non-refundable basic tax credit worth \$10,320.00 (I am using 2009 numbers) which basically means the first \$10,320.00 is tax free. For Canadian's 65 or older, there is an additional federal (old) age tax credit of \$6,408.00 which basically means that a senior can earn up to \$16,728.00 before attracting any income tax. There is a hitch for this age credit. Those seniors earning over \$32,312.00 will start to have the age credit clawed back. By the time a senior earns \$75,032.00 the age credit will have been reduced to \$0 and now the senior only receives the same basic tax credit of younger Canadians.

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I will touch base on this investment structure in my next article.

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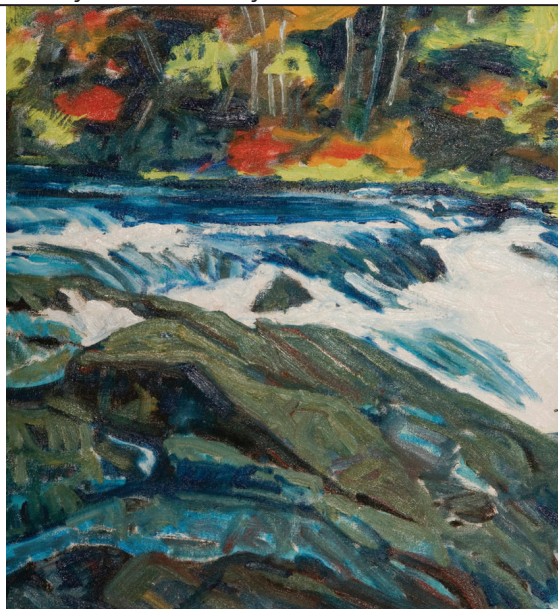
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J.D. Hodgson Elementary School teacher and naturalist Ed Poropat speaks with an attendee of his talk about Haliburton's Rail Trail Wednesday, March 23 at Fleming College. He told the audience about all the birds, reptiles, mammals and insects that can be seen along the 33-kilometre corridor for a Friends of the Rail Trail event.

Oh, the things you can find if you don't stay behind

Jenn Watt
Editor

Ed Poropat never tires of walking the Rail Trail.

The J.D. Hodgson Elementary School teacher and naturalist has walked the 33-kilometre corridor at all times of day, through all kinds of conditions, and says there's no end to what you can find on the former railway bed.

"No matter how many times you visit, you always find something new," Poropat told a Friends of the Rail Trail gathering at Fleming College Wednesday, March 23.

In his presentation, the Enviro-Hero award recipient highlighted seven "hot spots" along the trail starting just one kilometre from Haliburton and ending near the end at the Howland trestle.

The great thing about the trail, Poropat said, was that it crosses so many different types of land, from bogs to grasslands to rocky barren to fens, with three rivers along the way.

Some of Poropat's favourite spots Haliburton Bog (1 km)

In the first two weeks of June look for the bog fritillary and bog copper butterflies.

The bog also hosts the western pine elfin from mid May to mid June, three types of warblers and in June the harlequin darter dragonfly among others.

Gould's Crossing to Tyler Pond (3-5 kms)

Great turtle spot. Look for Blanding's,

snapping and painted turtles as well as a variety of snakes. Ribbon, garter and water snakes are common thanks to an abundance of frogs in the pond.

The golden winged warbler, a species at risk, is still a regular sight here.

Lochlin Flats (11.5 kms)

The open fields encourage birds like the bobolinks (which has a song that sounds like a banjo being plucked), nighthawk and meadowlark. The shrubbery around the edges of the fields are prime location for brown thrasher, indigo bunting and whip-poor-wills, another species at risk.

Ritchie Falls (14 kms)

The best spot in the county for butterflies.

More than 40 species have been found where the Rail Trail crosses Ritchie Falls Road. Look for tiger swallowtails, skippers, hairstreaks and monarchs.

Gelert Trestle (19 kms)

Check the rocks as soon as you get to the bridge to find dragonflies, turtles and frogs. Also a good spot to see mergansers and great blue herons.

Howland Trestle (30 kms)

Good place to find foxes and coyotes. Also cicadas and the horned clubtail dragonfly.

Friends of the Rail Trail is starting its weekly rambles on April 3. These relaxed walks along the trail are open to all. April 3, meet at 11 a.m. at the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre in Haliburton. Contact Pamela Marsales for more information 705-457-4767 or wildwoodpaths@yahoo.ca.

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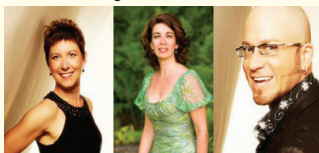
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Jordan Nimigon bids on a fellow student during a fundraiser March 24 at JDHES for the WE Workers group. /Photo by John Bauman



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Early good-bye

JDHES students held a surprise early good-bye for Traci Hubbert who will be transferring to Archie Stouffer Elementary School. Part of the fun was a “flash mob” style dance held in the gym. Below, Erin Davis is dancing in sync with her classmates. /Photo by John Bauman



Health unit publishes salary disclosure information

In accordance with the Public Salary Disclosure Act, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit has provided information on employees whose salaries and taxable benefits have exceeded \$100,000 or more in the past year.

For 2010, 10 employees of the district health unit made the list.

The employee whose recorded salary was the greatest was Dr. Lynn Noseworthy, medical officer of health (MOH). Noseworthy’s salary was \$351,855.74, and \$433.02 was given in taxable benefits.

However, while the legislation only requires information about salaries paid in 2010, the salary level provided for MOHs across the province also includes payments for the year 2009.

Additionally, a salary increase was awarded to all MOHs

as part of the 2008 Physician Services Agreement.

“In the case of medical officers of health and associate medical officers of health, salary levels were increased under the agreement to help attract and retain people to those positions, as there had been a long-standing shortage of educated and specifically trained people to those positions across the province,” says Susan Bickle, director of administration and human resources for the HKPR District Health Unit.

The money paid to MOHs through this agreement is fully funded by the province, and is separate from funding provided for mandatory programs and operations.

As well, boards of health must apply for this salary supplement and must sign an agreement stating the money provided has been used only for the MOH salary.

HOCKEY POOL

Position	Name	Points
1	Bryan Rivard	1243
2	Eric Casper	1217
3	Eric Schuster	1186
4	Melissa White	1168
5	Andrew McGill	1149.25
6	Scott LaRue	1117
7	Eleanor Lymer	1115
8	Chase Heinemann	1110
9	Ronald Sedley	1105
10	Jeff Barry	1104
11	Ian Kemp	1102.75
12	Orville Meeke	1097.25
13	Michael Moxley	1095.25
14	R Bell	1093
15	David Douglas	1078
16	Matt Prichard	1077.25
17	Maie Arike	1077.25
18	Denniella Rivard	1073.5
19	Martin Schuster	1071.25
20	Andrew Carmount	1068.5
21	Nancy Holden	1055.5
22	Pat Barry	1054.5
23	Gerald Ainsworth	1049.5
24	Larry Holden	1037
25	Robin Carmount	1036
26	Rhonda Shaw	1035.5
27	JoAnne Sharpley	1033
28	Audrey Sedley	1025.75
29	Jordan Hamilton	1022
30	Bob McKay	1016.25
31	Paul Cameron	1016
32	Larry Southgate	1010
33	Jamie Pritchard	1007
34	Ray Lymer	997.25
35	Robert Mclvor	996.5
36	Jonathan Sharpley	994
37	Daniel Rivard	986
38	Dan MacMillan	985
39	Bruce Fisher	982
40	Beryl Rasmus	973
41	Shannon Robertson	972.25
42	Richard Rasmus	934
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Chad Ingram Echo staff

Peek into Spectacle Theatre

➤ Theatre workshop has room for youths 12 and up, on April 12

Conjurors of County Town is pleased to invite the public to take a peek into the creation of Spectacle Theatre.

Anne Barber and Brad Harley from Shadowland Theatre of Toronto are 20-year theatre veterans who create larger-than-life characters who perform on the landscape.

They work collaboratively with communities and groups to create "theatre that entertains, engages, empowers and inspires us to interact positively with each other and our environment."

Visit their website at www.shadowlandtheatre.ca.

Barber and Harley will describe and demonstrate their approach to this genre of theatre in an interactive presentation at the Dysart Recreation Centre (second

floor) at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 11.

Admission is \$10. All ages welcome.

The Conjurors, with the assistance of a Youth Theatre Training Program grant from Theatre Ontario, is bringing Barber and Harley to the area to provide two workshops to high school drama and arts students.

There is some room in the Tuesday, April 12 afternoon workshop for other youth (over age 12), at no cost.

Please call Michael Fay at 286-3668 or email fay.m@sympatico.ca if you would like to attend.

Pre-registration is essential; spaces will be allotted on a first-come basis.

Barber and Harley are also mentoring a creative gem of established local artists who are working together to create a made-in-Haliburton version of this genre of theatre.

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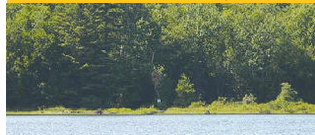
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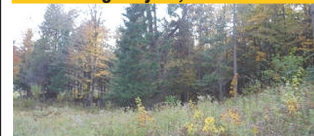
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The upside of Abbynormal, don'tcha know

Why if I wasn't just thinking about a scene in that old Melville Brooks movie, *Young Frankenstein*, when Gene Wilder's man servant goes into a lab to get a brain of a genius and mistakenly brings him a brain labeled Abbynormal. Well, that's how ol' Maybelle's been feeling about the world news these days, like it's all abbynormal, don'tcha know.

In fact, it's so abbynormal that the things I used to think were crazy are looking pretty sane to me. Like Ed Shmirmly dressing up a chicken to look like Marilyn Monroe.

Why he's even got a wee blond wig stuck to her head and high heel slippers on her little webbed feet. Compared to the plight of teachers bargaining rights being taken away by pollyticians down in Wisconsin ... tsunamis and earthquakes making whole cities disappear ... and wars popping up like taxes ... a little feather-headed Marilyn seems pretty normal.

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Fireside stories

The other thing that feels out of whack is TIME ... like it's slipped away on some gigantic banana peel, don'tcha know. The clocks may look the same but ol' Maybelle's inner clock keeps telling me I've been robbed. There just isn't enough time in my day, let alone in a minute.

Why before I know it, Monday is Wednesday, and Friday is Sunday. The days are speeding by so fast, it's three in the afternoon and I'm still in my jammies.

And I got me a radio show to do.

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And taxes to pay.

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And on and on it goes and before I know it I'm yawning at the moon and falling asleep in my denture cream, don'tcha know.

The up side is ... all of this abbynormal stuff is making me look at what's important to ol' Maybelle. Like the village

deer and their big innocent eyes. Sitting 'round a bonfire with Vilma Yuccch, Twindle Mumbly, Sybil Beaucannon Hughes, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom and Beanpole Starkman.

Counting my blessings and feeling my shoulders go down. Hearing the rain outside the window and feeling grateful for the roof above my head and tea biscuits in my cupboard.

And when I remember who I am and where I am ... safe and sound in Lake WhaddyathinkImean ... cozy and warm in woolen socks with mended feet, and a big furry bear named Bogart who loves me ... I wake up from the world of Abbynormal and feel myself smile again. And laugh again. And love.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Listen to "Fireside Stories from Lake WhaddyathinkImean" on 100.9 CanoeFM every second Saturday of the month at 12:40 pm.

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The ladies from the Quilt Guild of Haliburton, second from left, Audrey Sedley, Sharon Middlehurst, Marg Despard and Trish Miller-Rohrer, donated blankets to Community Care's Home at Last program represented by Brigitte Gebauer, far left, on March 24. Most of the quilts are being distributed to the Haliburton Hospital for the elderly and those who need help settling in. The remaining quilts will be available for whoever requires them.

Jade Fisher Co-op student



Construction begins

Left, Lisa Stoughton and Bill Kerr were on hand when construction began at the Volunteer Dental Outreach for Haliburton County in Haliburton last week. Ray Ralph, not pictured, a Haliburton cottager and president of REM Equipment donated a brand new BaseVac dry vacuum suction unit which retails for \$5,000. This environmentally friendly unit will significantly reduce the water consumption and energy draw of this clinic, Kerr said. Dr. Ed Busvek, one of seven volunteer dentists, was there, not pictured. Submitted by Bill Kerr

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Dysart speech contest results revealed

Winners have been announced for the annual Haliburton Legion speech contest held March 5.

Jurgen Shantz, Madeline Hopkins, Arienne Gervais and Brittney Graham all took first place in their age divisions and will go on to compete in Woodville at the zone competitions.

In the Grade 1 to 3 division, Stuart Baker Elementary School kids spoke for three to five minutes on the topics of animals and Edgar Allen Poe. First place, Jurgen Shantz; second place Seamus Jarrett-Lynch.

In the Grade 4 to 6 division, a speech on dog therapy took first for Madeline Hopkins, while Sadie Lissemore was second for a speech called "Sadie ... short story," third went to Zak Shantz for a speech on food. Robert Hall and Samantha Vicks received honourable mentions for speeches on ghosts and llamas.

For the intermediate division, Arianna Gervais spoke about her East Coast trip and took first with no other contestants.

Brittney Graham gave her talk on poverty for a first in the Grades 10 to 12 category.

She was the only contestant.

"It was good to see one of our high school students representing the senior level. It has been a few years now since we have seen an entry at the senior level, and our thanks go to principal Dan Marsden for strongly promoting public speaking amongst his students," Brian Hambly, youth education chairperson for the Legion wrote in his summary of the event. He also thanked J.D. Hodgson Elementary and Stuart Baker Elementary Schools for their continued support of the program. (See full summary on

www.haliburtonecho.ca.)

Winners will receive trophies and prizes at the Youth Awards Night April 8 at 7 p.m. at the Legion.

The zone competition was March 27 in Woodville.

Judges for the contest were Jerelyn Craden, Barry Wilhelm and Joan Cameron. Legion helpers included president Carla Watson, Chris and Wilf Guenette, Billy and Ed Pickard and Janet Burley.

-Files from Brian Hambly

Wilberforce students take speeches to 'high level of excellence'

Carmen Galea and Susie Cachia are moving on to the Zone F-5 public speaking competition after impressing judges in the Legion's contest March 22 in Wilberforce.

Twelve students in two categories (Grades 4 to 6 and Grades 7 to 8) participated in the event, which is part of the Legion's youth and education program.

"The criterion the students must meet is very demanding, however, the young people met it and took the contest to a very high level of excellence. The judges were extremely challenged while trying to rank the students," Valerie Smith, youth education officer, wrote in her full report of the event. (You can find the report on www.haliburtonecho.ca.)

Carmen's speech was about life on the farm.

"I am sure the advice she shared with us

to never wear sandals in a farm yard nor put eggs in your pocket came from perhaps her own life experiences while growing up on a farm," Smith wrote.

Susie wrote about the joys kittens can bring to one's life.

Other contestants included Jade McCartney (tree management), Alex French (drinking and driving), Tristan Nunn (Uncle Chase), Lloyd Callfas (letter Z), Melinda Meharrie (African Lion Safari), Sonora Plumb (horse rider Sonora Webster), Mikaela Kauffeldt (underground railroad), Brooke Billings (Rice Krispies), Nikki Middag (distractive texting) and Cathrine Robbins (Albino squirrels).

The Zone F-5 competition was held March 26 at Legion Branch at 106 Hastings.

- Files from Valerie Smith



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Sports

Hawks badminton confident, poised

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

The Red Hawks badminton club is welcoming the 2011 season with optimism and confidence despite a few personnel changes.

Last year's Central Ontario Secondary School Athletic final bronze medalists, the senior boys' doubles-team of Drew Paul and Jesse Schmidt, are looking forward to improving by adding more playing time with more tournaments and practices.

Jesse adds the team, which has one returning rival in Cobourg West, is working towards a sophisticated "rotation system" that will help cover the court better.

"We're hopefully guaranteed a spot at COSSA, but you never know," he said, adding the additional experience at the senior level will be an advantage.

Perennial junior coach Bob Schmidt is assuming the duties for the senior and junior squads this season because long-time coach Jason Morissette has stepped away from coaching because of hip surgery in April.

Bob will be looking to his senior players to help out.

Fifth-year player Tiffany vanLieshout welcomes the responsibility.

"Mr. Morissette is not coaching this year

because of his [hip] ... I was a little sad hearing that because I would have liked to have finished off my [career] with him. At the same time it was nice to have the chance to teach the younger kids what you know through your experience. It makes us [seniors] feel like we're helping Mr. Schmidt out," she said, adding this has given her insight into her own game, regarding weaknesses and strengths.

Other fifth-year players that will be looked to for leadership are Drew Paul, Scott Griffith and Jesse Walker.

Bob believes his mixed team of Scott Griffith and vanLieshout, who have reunited after a one-year absence to play in doubles in Grade 12, have a chance to do well this season. This team has finished as high as fourth at COSSA.

Although Bob's time will be divided, he is confident his younger players are not only in good hands with leadership from his seniors because they are already a strong group.

"Most of our juniors are in Grade 10, which are the Grade 9s from last year. We have very few Grade 9s. There will be a strong junior team," he said.

Last year the juniors sent 12 players to COSSA finals, including boysdoubles team of Brett Yake and Andrew Murray, who won the Kawartha Finals. They'll be playing in the senior ranks this year.

The top girls' team of Ali Hicks and



Darren Lum Echo staff

Closest, Drew Paul takes a shot in practice with doubles partner Jesse Schmidt looking on after school in the gymnasium on Thursday, March 24. Paul and Schmidt are working hard to improve on their Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics final bronze from last year.

Brigitta Hicks, who finished second at Kawartha, will not have a chance to duplicate their success, as Brigitta has been sidelined with a dislocated shoulder. Ali will team up with Bin Chun, who lost his partner Darcy Schmidt from last year since moving up to the senior level.

A few teams that also saw success were

shuffled.

Last year's Kawartha second place mixed doubles team of Tanner Hamilton and Jessica Bishop parted ways.

Hamilton is teaming up with Tanner Ballantyne while Bishop will partner with Sandy Griffith for doubles.

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Wilberforce Elementary School's Grade 6 student Carmen works on her next move.



J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School's Bo moves his piece.



Haliburton hosts TLDSB chess championships

There were close to 300 children competing at the Trillium Lakelands District School Board Regional Chess Championship hosted by Haliburton on Friday, March 25. Competitors were between grades 1 and 8 from 14 schools represented at the competition. The top three of each grade earned a berth to the provincial finals in Toronto on April 16.

Darren Lum Echo staff

The Atom AEs won the regional championship over the weekend against Bracebridge with a final score of 2-1.

/Submitted photo



Atom AEs win regional championship

Final score: 2-1 win over Bracebridge.

Finally the breaks went our way. Not that luck was the reason our Atom AE squad won on Friday. Our boys played a solid game and definitely deserved the win by outplaying their rival in every aspect. But as the puck bounced off the Bracebridge defender and into the net, it finally appeared, following a season of oh-so-many disappointments, and bounces that never seemed to go our way that finally lady luck had said; enough is enough.

After winning the first game in the best-of-three series last week, our crew was rudely alerted to the fact that Bracebridge was not about to give up easily. Within 45 seconds, Bracebridge stormed down and scored before our boys barely knew the game had started. Following that shift, however, our squad shifted gears and dominated the play for most of the rest of the game. A face-off in the Bracebridge end-zone came back to Cullen Johnston who deftly passed it over to Bo Stevenson at the blue line. Bo's shot from the point found its way through to even the score before the first period ended. From there, the minutes ticked by as the stalemate progressed into the third. As thoughts of overtime or a third game crept into the parents' fretful consciousness, Shawn Walker directed a pass by Noah Black toward the net. The Bracebridge defender made an attempt to stop the shot but instead deflected the puck over the goalie and into the net. Although Bracebridge made every attempt to even the score, on this night it was not to be and the Championship was awarded to our boys!

While the hockey world has received such negative publicity for the devastating consequences of its violent aspects, it is so refreshing to see nine and ten year old kids living the dream held by so many, hoisting the championship trophy over their heads. Well done, boys.

Throughout the season you've faced adversity and devastating loss but on this day you walk away true champions. Thanks go to our sponsor, Floyd Hall Insurance, the local media for their continued support, and to all the parents for their endless hours at the rink. Mostly, we would like to thank the coaching staff, Jarrett Campbell, Jordan Joanu, Derrick Nesbitt, Sheldon Stevenson, and whenever needed, Jim O'Neill and Greg Turner. It takes a special person to volunteer to coach and we truly appreciate your tireless efforts.

- Jon Petrie

Two week rest proved too much for Peewees

The Highland Storm Peewee AEs started the Muskoka Parry Sound League playoffs Friday, March 25 after a two-week rest. Sore and injured players had recovered, they were a well-rested team, but it is not usually good for a hockey team not to play for two weeks even though they had a couple of practices.

Well, it did not seem to do our team any harm as they came out playing hard and fast; maybe the fact that they were playing the Huntsville Otters "A" team had something to do with it. This team has 15 players, so 3 lines, and 2 goalies, compared to the Storm's 11 players and one goalie.

Despite the fact that the Otters scored first, the Storm team continued to play hard. Greg Crofts started the scor-

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Long-time PR officer Mel Smith writes his last Legion column

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Something you can't get away from are death and taxes. So, we are helping with the taxes every Wednesday afternoon from 2 p.m. til 3:30 p.m.

April Fool's Day is just around the corner and a great way to celebrate is to come to the Wilberforce Legion for our ham and scalloped potatoes dinner from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. It is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children.

Congratulations to Cynthia Goodison.

Saturday, April 2 is karaoke night at the Wilberforce Legion. Friday, April 8 is the Community Care seniors luncheon. Call Gwen Otto for reservations at 448-2106.

Come out and pick your 2011-12 Legion executive on April 12.

April 15 is the spaghetti dinner night event.

Valerie Smith recently held the Legion Speeches Compe-

tion for Wilberforce Elementary School on Monday March 21. Of the 12 who performed speeches, two advanced to the next level at Branch 106 Hastings, one for each division. They must register between 12 and 12:45. I was the time keeper Brian Eves was the scrutineer, judges were Terri Furneau, Terry Graham and Robert Clarke. Thank you for a job well done. The speeches were all very good, which made the judges' job difficult.

Carmen Galea advanced with her speech about life on

the farm. Susie Cashia moves on with a speech about her mom's cat Sophie.

This is my swan song. I have been writing these articles for the past 11 years. I will help whoever wants to take over the public relations officer job.

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Wilberforce skaters take to ice

Hailey Alden, Kendra Anderson, Becca Pacey, Sonora Plumb and Kadie Raimy skated to Girls Just Want to Have Fun.

Emma Neuman, pictured at right, was one of the event's soloists.

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Hannah Armstrong was one of the guest skaters at the Highlands East Recreational Figure Skating Club's Skate, Rattle and Roll carnival on March 26 at the Keith Tallman Memorial Arena.

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Council of the Municipality of Dysart et al will be considering proposed amendments to various Fees and Charges at their meeting on Monday, April 11th, 2011.

The amendments pertain to the following fees:

Arena/Community Centre Fees:

\$5.00 increase for all Dysart Arena Ice Rental Fees effective December 1st, 2011.

Ball Hockey Fees - \$35.00 per hour effective May 1st, 2011. Will be increased to \$40.00 per hour effective December 1st, 2011.

Disposal of Waste at Municipal Landfill Sites:

Boat Shrink Wrap - \$20.00 per cubic yard or \$5.00 each. ONLY being accepted at Haliburton Landfill – July 1st - 31st

Brush - \$40.00 per cubic yard effective May 1st, 2011

Building Material - \$40.00 per cubic yard effective May 1st, 2011

Effective May 1st Brush and Building Material will ONLY be accepted at the Haliburton and Harcourt Landfill Sites.

Sewer Service Rates:

Effective January 1st, 2011 increasing from \$495 to \$510 per ERU (Equivalent Residential Unit). Metered Rates increasing approximately 3% from \$24.93 to \$25.68 per 1,000 gallons.

Further information on the proposed fees and charges are available on the Municipality's website at www.dysartetel.ca, or at the Dysart Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton.

Any person wanting to comment on the proposed fees are invited to make a written submission to the undersigned by April 4th, 2011.

Cheryl Coulson, A.M.C.T.
Deputy Clerk

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Qualified candidates are encouraged to submit a detailed resume to the undersigned by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, April 4th, 2011.

Cheryl Coulson, A.M.C.T.
Deputy Clerk
E-mail: ccoulson@dysartetel.ca

We thank all applicants but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information is collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used only for employment purposes.



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NOTICE OF CHANGE OF VENUE Public Meeting PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

Due to the increased interest in the scheduled applications for the April meeting of the Dysart Public Meeting Committee, the location of the meeting will be changed to the Haliburton Curling Club. The date and time of the meeting will remain as previously advertised.

- **DATE:** Monday April 4th, 2011
- **TIME:** 5:00 pm
- **LOCATION:** Haliburton Curling Club
730 Mountain Street, Haliburton, Ontario

• SCHEDULED APPLICATIONS:

1. Zoning By-law Application: Lands of Greif Bros. Canada Inc. (waterfront residential subdivision proposal - Haliburton-Percy Lakes).
2. Zoning By-law Application: Lands of Easton's Grocers Limited (medium density residential proposal - Sunnyside Street).

A COPY OF THE NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING, which was circulated and advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act on March 8th, 2011, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipality Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Dated at the Township of Dysart, this 14th day of March, 2011.

Patricia Martin, B.E.S., MCIP, RPP
Municipal Planner

The home team had big advantage

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ing with the first goal unassisted in the second period. The other goal in the second period was by Regan Casey assisted by Greg Crofts and Max MacNaull. After the flood between the second and third period, the Storm boys seemed slow and the Otters scored, moving ahead by on point. This seemed to spurred our boys back to how they were playing earlier--they answered that one goal by the Otters with 4 of their own the game 6-3. The other goals were scored by Alex Wilbee, Ethan Cooper, Josh Rowden, and Jon Morrison. Assists go to Tim Burgess, Jon Morrison, Mitch Billings (2), Regan Casey, Max MacNaull and Greg Crofts.

Saturdays games were both scheduled

in Huntsville at the Summit Centre on the "big" ice (the rink is Olympic size) which was an advantage to the home team.

The first game was at 10 a.m. meaning a early start for our boys to be at the rink for 9 a.m.

The Huntsville Otters came out with confidence on their home ice and won the fast paced game 3-1 against our Storm. Our only goal was scored by Greg Crofts and assisted by Regan Casey and Jon Morrison. The next game was at 2 p.m. and once again our boys tried their best but the Otters are a good passing team and they were comfortable on the big ice. The Otters remained two goals ahead into the third period when our boys tied it up, with an unassisted goal by Tim Burgess and the second goal by Alex Wilbee assisted by Mac Rider.

But it was not to be, the Otters got the go ahead goal for the win even though the Storm boys fought to the end.

The Muskoka Parry Sound League Championship went to the Huntsville Otters.

Our boys should be proud of what they accomplished this season. They were first in their division, the most points/wins. They made it to the OMHA semi-finals despite absent players and injuries. As per OMHA format had to play the lowest points A team for the league championship even though they are an AE team and did it well and there are multiple other things which at this time I cannot recall. So now it is the close of another hockey season, and we will thank our bench for their time and effort, Mike MacNaull (coach), Wilf Vanlieshout (trainer), Kirk Cooper (manager), Mat-

thew Burgess (assistant coach) and Susan Burgess (treasurer/gate and 50/50 coordinator). And of course our parents for all their driving, support and encouragement and our fans for coming out and cheering us on throughout the season.

Don't forget that tryouts for the Highland Storm are in August this year over a two-week period, Sunday, Aug. 14 to Saturday, Aug. 27.

Have a safe and happy spring and summer and look forward to seeing everyone at tryouts!

-Karen Crofts

Notices

NOTICE

(Group Applicants - NADEAU & WIGMORE)

IN THE MATTER of the *MUNICIPAL ACT* AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF ORIGINAL ALLOWANCES FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF KOSHLONG LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HERE BY GIVEN, Pursuant to the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on Tuesday, the 12th day of April 2011, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

FIRSTLY: Part of Lot 16, Concession 13, Designated as Road Allowance on Registered Plan No. 413, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Robert C. Thaler, O.L.S., dated December 22, 2010.

SECONDLY: Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 13, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 2 and 3 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Robert C. Thaler, O.L.S., dated December 22, 2010. (Part 3 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East).

THIRDLY: Part of Lot 16, Concession 13, Designated as Road Allowance on Registered Plan No. 413, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 4 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Robert C. Thaler, O.L.S., dated December 22, 2010.

FOURTHLY: Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 13, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 5 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Robert C. Thaler, O.L.S., dated December 22, 2010.

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East office, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the Meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township office for delegation time.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 22nd day of March, 2011.

IRENE S. COOK, CMO
CLERK/CEMC
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

- **DATE:** Wednesday, April 13th, 2011
- **TIME:** 11:00 am.
- **LOCATION:** Council Chambers at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

1. D13-MV-11-002 – JTMPD Holdings Ltd.
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit the construction of an addition to a seasonal dwelling and permit 3 accessory buildings on a lot in the WR4 zone:
 - a) A variance to Section 3.19(a)(iv) Non-Complying Structures and Lots, to permit the enlargement of a seasonal dwelling that has legal noncomplying status such that the dimension of the building most nearly parallel to the shoreline is no more than 17 metres (55.77 feet) in length as opposed to the By-law restrictions of 15.2 metres (50 feet) in length.
 - b) A variance to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a lot in the WR4 zone to have a maximum of 3 accessory buildings as opposed to the required maximum of 2 accessory buildings.
 - Location: Part Lot 20, Concession 4, further described as Lot 65, Plan 402 in the geographic Township of Havelock (Kennis Lake – Kennis Lake Road).

ANY PERSON is entitled to attend the hearing in person to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by counsel for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The Committee will accept written submissions. **A copy of the decision will be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.**

FURTHER INFORMATION: including specific information about the zone provisions affected by each application, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

March 29th, 2011

Jeff Iles
Secretary – Treasurer,
Committee of Adjustment

West Guilford grandson wins all Ontario hockey finals

West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper

705-754-2278

Seth Morrison, grandson of Perry and Kay and son of Gerald and Barb Morrison of Elmira, is an avid hockey player and has played this season with the Woolwich Wildcats in the Minor Atom A division. The Wildcats won the all Ontario finals on

Saturday, March 19 when they played the Innisfil team in the Stroud arena. The winning score was 4-3. Seth played defense in the three hard fought games; the other scores were 3-2 and 3-2 all in their favour.

Sydney McIvor, whose home is near Duncan, B.C., spent a few days with her grandparents Robert and Ann McIvor during her two-week vacation in Ontario on March Break. Her other grandparents in Dundas also enjoyed her company.

We wish good health and speedy recovery to Phrona Sisson who has been in Haliburton Hospital for some time this month.

Donna and Andrew Ralrewsky were guests of Lorraine and Keith Kneelshaw recently from their home in Parry Sound.

Ian Pay appeared with double brass in the Jazz Kitchen band at McKecks on Sunday, March 20 when the group entertained to raise funds for YWCA. The individuals, good musicians all, obviously enjoy the experience and are fun to watch as well as hear.

The Haliburton Historical Society met at Maple Lake United Church on March 23 to hear Garry Toffoli and Arthur Bouffield present information concerning three royal weddings this year. The Monarchist League was well represented by these two excellent speakers. Meetings are usually over by 3:30 p.m., but this so engaged the audience sufficiently that it was around 5 p.m. before the meeting ended. In her usual style, Judy Carpenter had made a cake suitable for the occasion, this time decorated with a castle, carriage and horses. Cathy McMurray was present and has taped the presentation for Canoe FM. Her April show will contain details not only of the wedding of Prince William and Catherine Middleton, but also information of Princess Anne's daughter Zara Philipes wedding and that of Prince Albert and Princess Grace of Monaco. The theme of Cathy Mac's show in April is weddings, broadcast every Wednesday morning on Canoe FM 100.9 when you will hear of locally planned weddings at Bonnie View Inn, the Red Umbrella Inn and Pinestone Resort as well as the royal events.

Euchre on March 22 showed the following results: high - Norma and Bill Geddis, low - Iris Freeman and Ray Campbell. most lone hands - Tina Hadley and Garth Windsor.

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to the **UR** Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca



Haliburton Soccer League Registration: April 6-7 from 5-7 located at the HHSS Gym Foyer. For more information visit www.haliburtonsoccer.com SIGN UP NOW TO AVOID LATE FEES

• **Minden & District Horticultural Society:** First Tuesday of the Month March-November. March & April 1pm May-November 7pm located at the Minden Community Centre for more information call Barb at 705-754-9303 or Liz at 705-447-0151

• **Wednesday:** Bid Euchre 1pm located at the Haliburton Legion. \$2 admission **Thursday: Bid Euchre** 7pm Echo Hills Apt. For more information contact Jean Fletch 705-457-2618

• **March 29: Volunteer Income Tax:** at the Haliburton Legion Every Tuesday starting at 9am to 2pm ending Tuesday April 19. for more information contact Marlene Watson @ 705-448-2266

• **March 30:** Volunteer Income Tax: at the Haliburton Legion Every Tuesday starting at 9am to 2pm ending Tuesday April 19. for more information contact Marlene Watson @ 705-448-2266

• **March 31: Buying Your First Home:** The Minden Branch of the Haliburton Public Library presents a series of financial Planning Workshops beginning at 6:30pm Pre-register for these free sessions by calling 705-457-2241

• **April 3:** Free Family Friendly Matinees, Minden Community Centre 1:30pm Yogi Bear (Rated G) 3:15pm Narnia: Voyage of the Dawn Treader (rated PG) NO UNATTENDED CHILDREN THANK YOU

• **April 5: Dental Day at the Haliburton OEYC** 10am - 1pm. A dental Hygienist from HKPR Dental Health team will be available for screenings RSVP 705-457-2989 Minden Dental screenings April 26th 10am- 1pm RSVP 705-286-1770

• **April 6-27:** Baby Massage at OEYC Wednesdays 1-2pm call 705-286-4625 for more information

• **April 8:** HALIBURTON LION'S SPAGHETTI SUPPER: 6-8pm at the Dysart Arena. Adults \$10, Children (under 12) \$6, Family (2 adults, 2 children) \$25. ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT COMMUNITY BETTERMENT & HERITAGE BALLET'S RUSSIA TRIP.

• **April 8:** Highland Lake Community Church Bread for Life Dinner at the Minden Hills Community Centre Doors open @ 12pm lunch served from 12:30-1:30pm Transportation available for more information call 705-286-0700

• **April 9:** Kinmount United Church presents THE TARNISHED ANGELS BAND at 2 pm Tickets \$10 (children free) . For further information call 705-288-2129

• **April 10:** Minden Legion Pancake Breakfast 10am - 1pm \$6.00 with Food bank Donation \$8.50 with out. Children under 12 \$4.00

April 11: Haliburton Highlands Grannies Spring Meeting at 1:30pm at Zion United Church in Canarvan. Guest Speaker Joy Davies. A spare change collection will be held at this meeting, all proceeds from Granny events go to Stephen Luis Foundation. For Further information call Mickey at 705-286-2198

April 13: Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild Meeting at Stanhope Community Centre @ 1pm Come and hear Jacqui Clarkson speak on "Why we need yellow in our life" Doors open at 10 am for anyone interested in learning "piecelique" taught by Nancy Johnston. Everyone Welcome for more information call Sharon @ 705-286-1531

April 13: Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will be held at the Minden Legion, 12847 HWY #35 Doors open 6pm Topic: The Hidden Genealogical Treasures in Our Education System. Speaker Don Hinchley For more information call Gail 705-286-2225

April 16: Maplefest all you can eat Brunch and Bake Sale. Lochlin United Church, Lochline Rd Off Gelert Road. Adults \$6.00 Children under 12 \$3.00 Preschoolers free

April 16: Gooderham United Church Easter Bake Sale 10am to 3pm Lunch Available

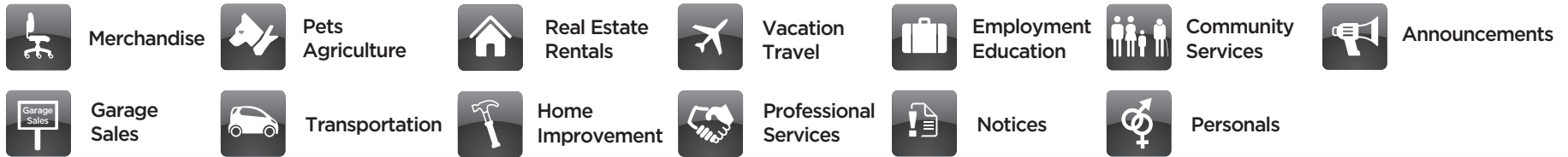
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Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.

NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

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Alfretta O'Rourke
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Peacefully at Lakeridge Health Oshawa on Monday March 21, in her 92nd year. Alfretta is survived by her six children, Gordon, Keith, Evan (Cathy), Lorraine Ravey, Anita Amos (Ken Lomax) and Maureen (Bob Riddell). Predeceased by her three husbands Richard William (1941), Louis (Stan) MacDonald (1986) and John Wayland O'Rourke (1977), also, her sisters Margaret, Mildred, Ida, Gertrude and Lorna. Sister of Theodore (Ted) Deterling. She will be fondly remembered by her many nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great grandchild. Alfretta was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #624 and was the Silver Cross Mother who laid a wreath each Remembrance Day for those mothers in Canada who had lost a child in military service. She was actively involved in the Community as a volunteer. An example of this was her spearheading the creation of the Community Garden in Wilberforce.

Visitation and Funeral Service

Friends are invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Thursday March 24, 2011 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Then to WILBERFORCE UNITED CHURCH 1084 South Wilberforce Road Wilberforce, Ontario on Friday afternoon, March 25, 2011 for Funeral Service at 2 o'clock (with visitation one hour prior). Interment later South Wilberforce Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.



Eunice (Oodie) Heyes
(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Died peacefully, after a brief illness, at the Haliburton Hospital on Friday March 25, 2011. Survived by her husband of 66 years, Harry, by her three children: Robert (Jane), Allyn and Kathy (Howard); Neil MacLellan (Danielle), her other son. Her grandchildren Kelley (Les), Ainsley (Peter), Carrie (David), Clare, Madeleine, John and by her great granddaughter Olivia. Eunice was passionate about life for over 90 years, a constant champion of the beauty and warmth of Haliburton and keenly interested in everyone she met. Cremation has taken place. In her memory, donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary would be certain to please her.

Visitation & Memorial Service

A Memorial Service will take place at a later date. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209

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Deaths

CROWE (nee HEWITT), Opal - Passed away peacefully at home with her family by her side on Saturday, March 19, 2011. In her 70th year. Loving wife of Don for 51 years. Dear mother of Steve and Sharon, Terry and friend Heather, Darryl and Gail, Rob, Craig and Stephanie. Cherished grandma of Abby, Sterling, Alyssa, J.D., Kelsey, Courtney, Nathan, Colin, Emma and Jamie. Loving daughter of Beaulah Hewitt (Raymond, deceased), sister of Elaine and the late Wayne Anderson, Joy and Don Kellett, Valorie and the late Bryce Gilbert, sister-in-law of Pennay Hewitt, predeceased by her brothers Moyer, and Sterling Hewitt. Opal will be missed by many friends and extended family. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden on Saturday, April 2, 2011 from 12:00 o'clock noon until the time of the Celebration of Life Service at 2:00 pm. Reception will follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 636, Minden (12847 Hwy 35). Cremation has taken place. Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation or to the Charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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Deaths

REYNOLDS, Audrey (nee Kent) - Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital with her family by her side on Wednesday, March 23, 2011. In her 71st year. Beloved wife of the late Laverne Reynolds. Dear mother of Dewayen and Colleen Simms, Sheldon and Donna Simms, Louie and Lori Reynolds, Kim and Trudy Reynolds, Larry Reynolds. Loving grandma of Gavin (Jaime), Cory (Lyndsay), Todd (Catherine), Davis (Tristen), Dylan, Shawn, and Jordan. Cherished great grandmother of Carson, Parker, Landyn, and one sprouting. Sister of Lois Smith (Cecil, deceased), Emily Scarlet (Bob), and Lyle Kent (Betty Lou). Audrey will be remembered by her friends and family. Friends were invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden on Sunday from 7 - 9 pm and then on Monday, March 28, 2011 from 12:00 o'clock noon until the time of the Funeral Service in the Chapel at 1:00 pm. Reception followed in the family centre at the Funeral Home. Spring Interment at the Minden Cemetery. Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or to the Charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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Card of thanks

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In memoriam

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In memoriam



With Sincere Thanks

The family of the late James French wish to send out our heartfelt thanks to all of our relatives, friends, neighbors and members of the community for being there for us in this extremely difficult time. Thank you for the phone calls, the visits, the wonderful meals and the kind words and gestures. The cards and flowers were beautiful. We would also like to thank you so much for the donations to Austin's education fund, they were greatly appreciated. It is very consoling to know just how many people care. Thank you Troy and Jason Main for the beautiful song you wrote and performed in James memory. It was very touching and he would have loved it. Your performance later at the Wilberforce Legion was truly enjoyed. Thanks to Dave Burton for performing the service and to everyone that participated in the eulogies and the celebration of James' life. Thank you to the Wilberforce First Response Team for their valiant effort. Lastly thanks to Dwaine and Lori Lloyd and their staff at the Haliburton Community Funeral home for their expertise, understanding and warmth. Once again they have taken wonderful care of our family in our time of need. James may be gone but he is not forgotten. He also would be thankful for the care and support our family has received.

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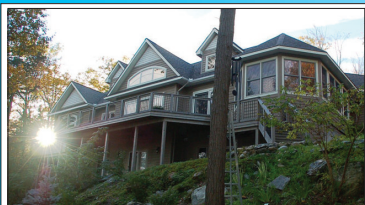
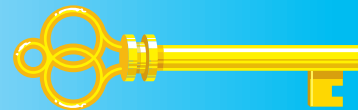
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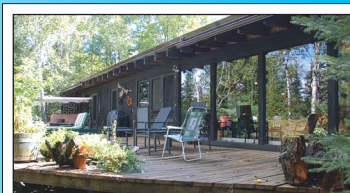
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4BR open concept yr rnd cottage. Warm wood ambience. Heated wtrline, UV system, New steel roof, single det grg. Rustic lot, rock shore, sittingdeck, south exposure.

\$439,900.



LITTLE GLAMOR LAKE

With most building materials harvested from the property, this stacked cordwood cottage is truly unique. 5 br, open concept living area. If true 'cottaging' is what you want, see this. 255 ft frtg, 14 ac of rich forest. Ask for more information

\$429,000.



SOYERS LAKE

Immaculate cottage plus Bunkie on magnificent 5 lake chain. Big lake view, sand shoreline, west exposure. Cozy pine interior.

\$419,000.



SAMS LAKE

Extremely private with 850' lake frtg & set in 15 ac natural forest. 4 bedrm cottage with open concept living area. Yr Rnd private road.

\$374,000.



INCOME OPPORTUNITY

4 unit apartment building. Good location. Easy rentals. Immaculate grounds, paved driveway, easy highway access. Live in, rent out, tenants pay the mortgage.

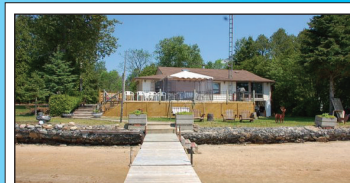
\$299,999.



GROWLER LAKE ACREAGE

650 ft frontage with 56 Acres on the west side of the lake. Good shoreline, gradual sand or deep water. Hydro avail. Driveway roughed in, site cleared. Beautiful lake.

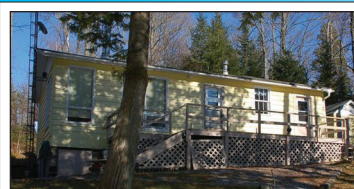
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GREEN LAKE

Yr rnd home/cottage on edge of gorgeous sand beach. Level lot. Full w/o basement. Wraparound deck. Close to golf, store, skiing. 3 lake Chain. Additional backlot included

\$299,000.



STORMY LAKE

The perfect package! 3br cottage on level lot. Big lake view, sand shore. S/W exposure. Private. 2 sheds, Shoreline deck. Firepit. Tidy & ready to go!

\$298,000.



MOUNTAIN STREET

Renovated & modernized split entry home. Lovely country 3 ac lot, minutes to village. Bright & cheery open living concept plus w/o Bsmt with lg recroom. Clean turn-key property.

\$258,000.



WILBERFORCE AREA

Charming round log home. Private on 24 acres with trails throughout. Country kitchen, main flr lndry, w/o bsmt with lge recroom. Double Car garage.

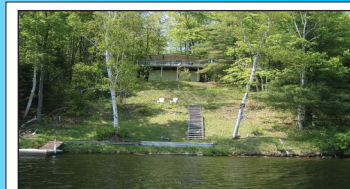
\$229,000.



GLAMOR LAKE ROAD

Immaculate cottage or yr rnd home. Private lot near beach & park. Charming wood character & warmth. Solarium, loft with skylights. Must be seen!

\$219,000.



CONTAU LAKE

Sunny facing south! 2BR ideal getaway. Open concept bright living area, Modern kitchen. Clean deep shoreline, good boating & fishing, terraced lot. Great value!

\$209,000.



HALIBURTON HOME

Great location near village & lots of room, outbuildings & potential. Contractor or home based businesses interested? Stone & brick home.

\$199,900.



CARDIFF LAKE

3.29 acre waterfront lot. Fairly level with a gradual slope to the lake. Crown land across the lake. 645' of clean sand/stone shoreline. Driveway in. Hydro/ phone avail, easements. Build your dream cottage or waterfront home on this quiet lake.

\$179,900.



GULL RIVER

8.8 acre riverfront lot. 222 ft shoreline. West exposure. Quite private, treed, yr rnd road, driveway, hydro/telephone available. Boat to Gull Lake or the town of Minden.

\$149,000.



GOODERHAM HOME

Just a stone's throw from Gooderham Lake public beach. Great little home. Or cottage. Newly reno'd. Full bsmt. In the village & only 15 min to Haliburton.

\$115,000.



NEW HOMES

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WHY CONDO FEES VARY

QUESTION: I notice that monthly condo fees vary from one similarly priced condominium complex to another. Why should there be such a great difference?

ANSWER: There are many reasons why condo fees vary widely. Some fees include insurance property taxes and others don't. Some fee schedules are

prepared by professionals and include reserves for maintenance, improvements and replacement. Unfortunately, other fee schedules are sometimes drafted by optimistic individuals who are more interested in selling unsold inventory than in managing accurately and efficiently. Have a Realtor at your side to protect your interest.



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